AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Diptheria Antitoxin Tetnus Antitoxin and Triple Antigen have been price decontrolled under Drugs Prices Control Order, 1987;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these vaccines are used for National Health Programme and as per Policy 1986 the same should be included under category-I;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these vaccines were under price control under DPCO, 1979;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the prices of these vaccines have gone up by 200 per cent and production had fallen after the exclusion from price control;

(e) what was the price of each before DPCO, 1987 present price and percentage increase; and

(f) what was the production of each vaccines during 1981-82, 1982-83, 1986-87 and 1987-88 ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Sera & Vaccines have been excluded from price control on the recommendations contained in the Report of the Kelkar Committee, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f) The requisite information, to the extent available will be collected and laid on the Table of the House

Prices of Novalgin range formulations

826. SHRI YELLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:
DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state;

(a) whether his Ministry fixed the prices of Novalgin range of formulations;

(b) if so, when and what price was fixed for each formulation;

(c) what is the price of each formulations as on the 31st January, 1990;

(d) what was the price of Analgin bulk drug taken while working out the formulation prices;

(e) whether it is a fact that the producer purchased bulk Analgin from the market/producers;

(f) if so, what was the quantity purchased per year from the date of fixation of formulation price alongwith rate at which each consignment was purchased;

(g) whether it is a fact that the producer takes cash discount in Analgin purchases and this discount is not being taken in account; and

(h) if so, what steps have been taken to investigate the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (c) The requisite information, to the extent available, is given below:—

S. No.	Name of formulation	Pack size	Ceiling price (without Ex.D) (Rs.)	Present price (without Ex-D) Rs.
1.	Analgin Tablets 500 mg./Tab.	10x10's Strip	40·98	40·98
2.	Analgin Injection	10x2ml Ampoule	22·52	22·52
3.	Do.	5x5ml Ampoule	18·30	18·30
4.	Do.	10ml Vial	6·74	6·74
5.	Do.	30 ml vial	14·44	14·44

(d) While working out the prices of aforesaid formulations, the notified price of bulk Analgin which is Rs. 313·00 per kg., was taken into account.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) to (h) Government has no information on this.

Profitability of Drug Companies

827. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is monitoring the profitability of drug companies ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that drug companies are submitting this information to his Ministry ;

(c) whether it is a fact that is obligatory on the part of drug companies to provide such information ;

(d) if so, what was the profitability of Glaxo, German Remedies, Wyeth, Merck Sharp and Dhome, Hoechst, Sandoz, Fulford, Abbott and May & Baker both net and gross profit during the last three years along with percentage increase or decrease ;

(e) what are the names of bulk drugs being produced by each of these company along with the stage of manufacture of each ; and

(f) what are the names of bulk drugs which and exempted from price ceontrol of each of these companies ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) to (c) Under Para 22 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, drug companies are to supply the above information to this Ministry.

(d) About 17 companies have given information in Form 6. To the extent information is available, the position is given in the attached Statement.

(e) and (f) Details are in the Annexure. (See Appendix [illegible] Annexure No. 32).